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Date: April 24, 2006By: Margaret B. DehaghiIN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEPATENTApplicants: **Bonalle et al**Attorney Docket No.: **70655.1900**Serial No.: **10/710,317**; Confirmation No.: **4316** Group Art Unit: **2876**Filed: **07/01/2004**Examiner: **Walsh, Daniel I.**Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SIGNATURE RECOGNITION BIOMETRICS  
ON A SMARTCARD****TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE  
A PROVISIONAL DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION  
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Application Number	10/710,317
Filing Date	July 1, 2004
First Named Inventor	David S. Bonalle, et al.
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

**Total Claims** 46 - 20 or HP = 26 x 50 = 300.00

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**Indep. Claims** 3 - 3 or HP = 0 x 0 = 0

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**Multiple Dependent Claims**

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